LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6695 DATE PREPARED: Dec 7, 2001

BILL NUMBER: SB 157 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Liquor Dealer's Permits for Grocery Stores.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a grocery store to receive a liquor dealer's permit.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill could have minor administrative impact on the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC). Any impact is expected to absorbed using existing staff and resources.

Explanation of State Revenues: Allowing grocery stores to obtain a liquor dealer's permit could increase state revenue. Based on data from the ATC, there are approximately 1,300 grocery stores that currently have a permit to sell beer and wine. If *all* of the grocery stores that currently have this permit choose to obtain the \$250 liquor permit, revenue to the state Excise Fund could increase by as much as \$325,000 annually. Since one-third of the revenue deposited in the Excise Fund is distributed to the state General Fund, the bill could increase state General Fund by as much as \$107,750.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: Two-thirds of the revenue distributed to the Excise Fund is distributed to cities, towns, and counties based on where a permitee is located. If all of the grocery stores that currently have a beer and wine permit choose to obtain a liquor permit, Excise Fund distributions to local entities could increase by \$215,500.

State Agencies Affected: Alcohol and Tobacco Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Don Okey, Excise Industry Liaison, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, 232-2463.

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